IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the **PATENT APPLICATION** of:

Marcos R. Pegoretti

Application No.: 10/589,545

Confirmation No.: 8468

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For: METHOD TO PROVIDE SLOTS IN

PIPES

Group: 1724

Examiner: Not Yet Known

Our File: APA-PT010

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COMMUNICATION RE STATUS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests notification of the status of the above-identified application. Nearly 18 months have passed since the application was filed and applicant has not received a Filing Receipt or any substantive action.

Respectfully submitted,

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